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SUBJECT: NEW HOURS FOR LAO GOVERNMENT

1. THE OFFICIAL LAO PRESSE OF DECEMBER 26, 1975
ANNOUNCED NEW WORKING HOURS WHICH GO INTO EFFECT
JANUARY 1 FOR PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF LAOS
GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES. UNDER THE OLD REGIME THE WORK
SCHEDULE WAS FIVE DAYS PER WEEK, SIX AND ONE-HALF
HOURS PER DAY. DURING THE MARCH TOWARD SOCIALISM,
GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES WILL WORK A SIX-DAY WEEK (SATURDAY
IS TO BE A REGULAR WORKING DAY), WITH SEVEN HOURS OF
WORK A DAY. THEIR HOURS ARE: 0800 TO 1200 AND 1400
TO 1700 FROM SEPTEMBER THROUGH FEBRUARY AND 0730 TO
1130 AND 1400 TO 1700 FOR THE BALANCE OF THE YEAR.

2. COMMENT: WE DO NOT YET KNOW HOW THESE NEW HOURS WILL
WORK OUT IN PRACTICE. AT PRESENT, NO MATTER WHAT THE
HOUR, MOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WE TRY TO REACH ARE
USUALLY OUT GARDENING OR IN SEMINARS.
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